

BOTSWANA EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

AGRICULTURE

16/4

Paper 4 Alternative to Coursework

Sample Paper

MARK SCHEME

ltem	Response	Marks	
1 (a)(i)	Harrowing / Levelling	1 mark	
(ii)	Pull a rake;	3 marks	
	On cultivated soil; to create		
	a fine tilth / break soil clods;		
(b) (i)	Carrot / beetroot /	1 mark	
	Spinach / cabbage /		
	Onions / rape /		
	Green peas / green		
	Pepper / tomatoes / AW		
(ii)	Washing;	3 marks	
	Sorting / grading;		
	Packaging;		
2 (a)	Cutworm	1 mark	
(b)	Picking by hand;	2 marks	
	Beat to the ground;		
3 (a)	Open a shallow furrow along	4 marks	
	the rows of crops;		
	Place fertilizer in the furrow;		
	Close the furrow;		
	Water to dissolve the		
	fertilizer;		
(b)	Calculate the amount of	3 marks	
	fertilizer needed;		
	Weigh the fertilizer;		
	Put on protective clothes;		
(C)	Ring/banding	1 mark	
4 (a)	Clearing / removal of stump	1 mark each	
	/ weeds;	for any five	
	Digging to break the soil;	points	
	Breaking soil clods /	•	
	preparing a fine tilth; adding		
	fertilizer; watering;		
	cultivating to soften the soil;		
	Levelling the soil;		
(b)	And says and the says of	3 marks	
	- And - I want -	1 mark for a	
Soil level-	The second se	diagram 2	
		marks for	
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	Concrete brieles		
	Concrete bricks		
	Dig the soil'	1 mark each	
	Build wall or concrete base;	for any 3	
	put soil slab; fill with the soil.	points	

5 (a)

DATE	ACTIVITY	REASONS FOR ACTIVITY	
02/03/15	Mulching – removal mulching	To prevent pest build up To allow light to enter for photosynthesis To prevent etiolation	Hand
10/03/15	Thinning – remove extra seedlings	Create space for growth. To correct spacing To reduce competition for water, nutrients and light	Hands
10/03/15	Transplanting – transplant Seedlings to permanent plots	Correct spacing	Hand trowel
19/03/15	Cultivation – cultivate the soil	To aerate, loosen the soil	Hand fork
20/03/15	Weeding – removal of weeds, by uprooting or cultivation	To reduce competition between crops + weeds for water, nutrients and light	Hands/hand fork
	Trellising/staking/earthing up	To support week stems To allow plants to reach sunlight	Stick
	Pruning – remove dead leaves or unwanted parts	To aerate, to prevent spread of diseases, to rejuvenate plants	Pruning shears
20/04/15	Top dressing – apply Inorganic fertilizer	To provide nutrients to the soil/improve soil fertility	
21/01/15	Harvesting – remove mature products	To market the product	Hands

2 marks for dates

2 mark for activities

1 mark for reasons

1 mark for tools used

(b)		Α	2 marks	Α
	$\frac{200 \text{ kg}}{10000 \text{ m}^2} \times \frac{2\text{m}^2}{1}$ $= \frac{400 \text{ kg}}{10000 \text{m}^2}$ $= 0.04 \text{ kg/m}^2$			
(c)	 Improves soil structure contains more nutrients (macro and micro) /AW It improves soil fertility / AW Releases nutrients gradually to soil hence less toxic / AW Easily available and cheap / AW Prevents leaching from the soil Improves the aeration and water holding capacity of the soil Do not cause pollution of the environment 	KU	2 marks	С